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Will be struck for 1950?

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Here is your chance to obtain before the price goes up:

1936	5 pieces, Brilliant....	\$ 43.75
1937	5 pieces, Brilliant....	18.75
1938	5 pieces, Brilliant....	12.50
1939	5 pieces, Brilliant....	10.00
1940	5 pieces, Brilliant....	7.50
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Was offered at auction May 11th by the Parke-Bernet Galleries of New York City and sold for the record price of \$3,400.00. This was the type two 1804 Dollar in Extremely Fine condition. This is further indication that choice and rare coins are not only holding their own but are advancing in price.

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1826	over 25, About Unc. with beautiful proof surface.....	200.00
1830	Very Fine plus	35.00
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HALF EAGLES

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1807	Second type, About Unc and sharply struck	45.00
1808	Very Fine	35.00
1813	Unc. with lustre	50.00
1834	About Uncirculated.....	17.50
1840	Extremely Fine	18.00

EAGLES

1795	Very near Uncirculated with proof surface. Very slight edge defect. A choice coin	125.00
1799	Very Fine plus	75.00
1799	Fine plus	60.00
1851	Uncirculated	35.00
1907	Indian, Uncirculated....	27.50
1911	Brill. Uncirculated.....	27.50

DOUBLE EAGLES

1853	U. S. Assay, Very Fine..	75.00
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1909	over 8, Gem, Unc.....	85.00

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U. S. HALF CENTS

10 Different dates, none less than Very Good and they will average Fine, 10 pieces7.95

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10 Different before 1839, Fine or better. I recommend this as a good buy12.50

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10 Different issues, no duplication of types. All Brilliant Unc.15.00

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10 Full dollar size silver coins of the world, average Fine condition. All different.....12.50

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Currency

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HAVE TO SELL?

INDIAN HEAD FLYING EAGLE CENTS

	V.Gd.	Fine	Brill. Unc.
1857 F.E....	.35	.75	4.50
1858 LL...	.50	1.25	8.00
1858 SL...	.50	1.25	10.00
1859.....	.35	.60	4.50
1860.....	.30	.50	3.50
1861.....	1.00	2.00	7.50
1862.....	.15	.25	1.00
1863.....	.15	.25	1.00
1864 CN...	.40	.75	2.50
1864 Br...	.25	.75	3.50
1864 L on R	5.00	10.00	25.00
1865.....	.20	.50	2.75
1866.....	2.00	3.75	12.50
1867.....	2.00	3.50	10.00
1868.....	2.00	3.50	10.00
1869.....	2.75	4.00	15.00
1870.....	2.75	4.00	12.50
1871.....	3.50	5.00	15.00
1872.....	5.00	8.75	20.00
1873.....	.75	1.25	4.00
1874.....	.75	1.25	4.00
1875.....	.50	1.00	6.00
1876.....	1.25	2.50	7.00
1877.....	7.50	12.50	47.50
1878.....	1.25	2.50	6.50
1879.....	.10	.40	2.00
1880.....	.10	.35	1.50
1881.....	.10	.50	2.00
1882.....	.10	.35	1.50
1883.....	.10	.30	1.25
1884.....	.20	.50	2.50
1885.....	.35	1.00	5.75

	Fine	V.Fine	Brill. Unc.
1886.....	.25	.40	2.50
1887.....	.25	.40	1.50
1888.....	.25	.40	2.00
1889.....	.25	.40	1.50
1890.....	.25	.40	1.50
1891.....	.25	.40	2.00
1892.....	.25	.40	3.00
1893.....	.25	.40	1.50
1894.....	.40	.75	2.00
1895.....	.25	.40	2.00
1896.....	.35	.50	3.00
1897.....	.35	.50	3.00
1898.....	.25	.35	2.25
1899.....	.20	.30	1.50
1900.....	.15	.25	1.50
1901.....	.15	.25	1.00
1902.....	.15	.25	.75
1903.....	.15	.25	1.00
1904.....	.15	.25	.75
1905.....	.15	.25	.75
1906.....	.15	.25	.75
1907.....	.15	.25	.75
1908.....	.15	.25	1.00
1908-S....	1.75	2.50	6.00
1909.....	.15	.25	.75
1909-S....	12.50	15.00	25.00

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Complete set of Indian Head Cents 1857 to 1909 including all dates and mint marks. A Brilliant Uncirculated expertly matched set in album ONLY\$325.00

SPURIOUS BANK NOTES CIRCULATED BY PSEUDO BANKS

An article in the Canadian Banker Magazine on banking and bank-notes gives us a bit of history of "note pushing" by pseudo-banks claimed to be operating in Canadian centres, and whose fraudulent notes were accepted by the citizens of certain northern States during the period of 1837-39.

In 1837 there were 10 or 12 of these spurious banks domiciled in Montreal and elsewhere in Lower Canada, now Province of Quebec, and a few others in Upper Canada now Ontario. These banks were operated by remote control from the States for the fraudulent purpose of issuing worthless Canadian notes. These notes were pushed at places remote from headquarters and chiefly in the United States where the financial crisis of 1837 was followed by suspension of specie payments in May of that year.

The issue of notes by private banks being forbidden in New York and other nearby states, circulation was scarce and these Canadian pseudo-notes, engraved in close imitation of those of honest banks, readily passed from hand to hand outside of Canada and sometimes stayed out a long time.

These "banks" had no real existence and were simply groups of swindlers - mainly from Buffalo - who maintained very small and obscure Canadian offices for the ostensible purpose of "redeeming" their bills. If presented in any quantity, however, the "bank" shut its doors and the note pushers continued in business with notes bearing another name.

Public meetings were held in Montreal protesting against the scandal and investigation was conducted in New York City but little could be done about it. While suspension of specie payment lasted, the swindlers could apparently operate within the law, but when specie payment was resumed in both countries in 1839, the nuisance ceased, leaving a considerable quantity of the worthless currency in the hands of the final holders - chiefly American citizens.

Twenty years later, during the period 1857-1862, the government of Canada closed five disreputable "note-pushing" banks chartered in Canada but managed across the border; one of these establishments was controlled by a saloon-keeper in Buffalo who circulated the notes in Illinois, Wisconsin and Kansas. The government had been careless in granting the charters to these banks in the first place, as it was plainly a renewal of bank-note swindling under Canadian names that had prevailed during 1837-39.



SPURIOUS BANK NOTES
(continued)

A number of these establishments or their notes issued by such banks of the earlier period known to be spurious we have a record, they were the Commercial Bank of Brockville, U.C. unknown in Brockville; Commercial Bank of Fort Erie, U.C. which bank maintained an office resembling a bank but did nothing but push their notes in the United States; Merchants Bank of Montreal, Bank of St. Lawrence Lumber Co, Malbaie, L.C.; Mechanics Bank of Brockville, Brockville, U.C; Bank of Ottawa, Montreal, L.C; Mechanics Bank of Montreal; The Oxford Bank of Boucherville, L.C; The Colonial Bank of Chatham, U.C; Lower Canada Bank, Montreal, and the Phenix Bank Phillipsburg, L.C. adjoining the State of Vermont, whose notes were issued for circulation in nearby Vermont.

The bank-notes were fine specie of engravings by the best engravers of their day. Like Currier and Ives prints, they reflect the events and the life of the "homespun" period in American history.

- Paul Borrowman

Booker T. Washington 1950

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## COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS

### ALL BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED

|      |                             |         |
|------|-----------------------------|---------|
| 1892 | Columbian Expos.....        | \$ 1.25 |
| 1893 | Columbian Expos.....        | 1.00    |
| 1893 | Isabelle Quarter .....      | 7.50    |
| 1900 | Lafayette Dollar .....      | 12.50   |
| 1915 | Pan-Pacific Expos.....      | 17.50   |
| 1918 | Lincoln .....               | 3.00    |
| 1920 | Maine Centennial .....      | 4.50    |
| 1920 | Pilgrim .....               | 1.75    |
| 1921 | Pilgrim .....               | 5.00    |
| 1921 | Alabama, plain .....        | 9.00    |
| 1921 | Alabama, 2x2 .....          | 12.50   |
| 1921 | Missouri .....              | 27.50   |
| 1921 | Missouri 2x4 .....          | 27.50   |
| 1922 | Grant Memorial .....        | 2.50    |
| 1922 | Grant with star .....       | 55.00   |
| 1923 | Monroe Doctrine .....       | 2.75    |
| 1924 | Huguenot Walloon .....      | 3.50    |
| 1925 | California Jubilee .....    | 4.50    |
| 1925 | Lexington .....             | 2.75    |
| 1925 | Norse, thin .....           | 7.50    |
| 1925 | Norse, thick .....          | 2.00    |
| 1925 | Stone Mountain .....        | 1.25    |
| 1925 | Vancouver .....             | 14.00   |
| 1926 | Philadelphia Sesqui .....   | 2.50    |
| 1927 | Vermont .....               | 5.50    |
| 1928 | Hawaiian Sesqui .....       | 27.50   |
| 1934 | Maryland .....              | 3.00    |
| 1935 | Connecticut .....           | 6.75    |
| 1935 | Hudson .....                | 14.00   |
| 1935 | Old Spanish Trail .....     | 12.50   |
| 1935 | San Diego .....             | 2.25    |
| 1936 | Albany, New York .....      | 4.00    |
| 1936 | Bridgeport .....            | 2.50    |
| 1936 | Cincinnati, PDS Set .....   | 24.00   |
| 1936 | Cincinnati .....            | 9.00    |
| 1936 | Cleveland .....             | 1.50    |
| 1936 | Columbia .....              | 3.50    |
| 1936 | Columbia, PDS Set .....     | 9.00    |
| 1936 | Delaware .....              | 3.00    |
| 1936 | Elgin .....                 | 2.75    |
| 1936 | Gettysburg .....            | 4.50    |
| 1936 | Long Island .....           | 1.50    |
| 1936 | Lynchburg .....             | 3.25    |
| 1936 | Rhode Island .....          | 2.50    |
| 1936 | Norfolk .....               | 4.50    |
| 1936 | Rhode Island, PDS Set ..... | 6.75    |
| 1936 | Robinson .....              | 1.75    |

### GOLD COMMEMORATIVE COINS

#### GOLD DOLLARS

|      |                          |          |
|------|--------------------------|----------|
| 1903 | Jefferson, Unc.....      | \$ 12.00 |
| 1903 | McKinley, Unc .....      | 13.50    |
| 1905 | Lewis & Clark, Abt.Unc.. | 32.50    |
| 1915 | Panama Pacific, Unc..... | 9.00     |
| 1916 | McKinley, Unc.....       | 12.50    |
| 1917 | McKinley, Unc.....       | 15.00    |
| 1922 | Grant, Uncirculated .... | 25.00    |
| 1922 | Grant, star, Unc.....    | 22.50    |

#### QUARTER EAGLES

|      |                          |       |
|------|--------------------------|-------|
| 1915 | Panama Pacific, Unc..... | 45.00 |
| 1926 | Sesqui-Centennial, Unc.. | 11.75 |

### CHOICE OFFERINGS

TWENTY CENT pieces - 6 piece set  
1875-78; 4 Brill. Proofs, 2 Unc.  
Choice ..... \$ 125.00  
1856 FLYING EAGLE Cent, practically  
Uncirculated .....\$ 135.00  
1861 CONFEDERATE Half Dollar,  
Uncirculated ..... \$50.00

### ALL BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED

|      |                           |       |
|------|---------------------------|-------|
| 1936 | San Diego .....           | 2.25  |
| 1936 | San Francisco .....       | 3.50  |
| 1936 | Wisconsin .....           | 2.50  |
| 1936 | York County, Maine .....  | 2.50  |
| 1937 | Antietam .....            | 10.00 |
| 1937 | Roanoke .....             | 3.00  |
| 1938 | New Rochelle .....        | 5.75  |
| 1935 | Arkansas .....            | 2.00  |
| 1935 | Arkansas, PDS Set .....   | 9.50  |
| 1936 | Arkansas, PDS Set .....   | 5.00  |
| 1936 | Arkansas, P Mint .....    | 2.00  |
| 1937 | Arkansas, PDS Set .....   | 11.00 |
| 1938 | Arkansas, PDS Set .....   | 17.50 |
| 1939 | Arkansas, PDS Set .....   | 60.00 |
| 1934 | Boone .....               | 2.50  |
| 1935 | Boone .....               | 2.00  |
| 1935 | Boone, PDS Set .....      | 9.00  |
| 1935 | Boone, Small 1934 .....   | 2.00  |
| 1935 | Boone, Sm 34, D-S Set ... | 60.00 |
| 1936 | Boone .....               | 2.00  |
| 1936 | Boone, PDS Set .....      | 9.00  |
| 1937 | Boone .....               | 2.00  |
| 1937 | Boone, PDS Set .....      | 50.00 |
| 1938 | Boone, PDS Set .....      | 60.00 |
| 1926 | Oregon Trail .....        | 1.75  |
| 1926 | Oregon, S Mint .....      | 1.75  |
| 1928 | Oregon .....              | 3.00  |
| 1933 | Oregon, SPECIAL .....     | 5.00  |
| 1934 | Oregon .....              | 3.00  |
| 1936 | Oregon .....              | 2.00  |
| 1936 | Oregon, S Mint, SPECIAL.. | 5.00  |
| 1937 | Oregon .....              | 2.00  |
| 1938 | Oregon, PDS Set .....     | 10.00 |
| 1939 | Oregon, PDS Set .....     | 27.50 |
| 1934 | Texas .....               | 2.50  |
| 1935 | Texas, P Mint .....       | 2.00  |
| 1935 | Texas, PDS Set .....      | 5.00  |
| 1936 | Texas, PDS Set .....      | 5.00  |
| 1937 | Texas, PDS Set .....      | 6.50  |
| 1938 | Texas, PDS Set .....      | 26.00 |
| 1946 | Iowa .....                | 4.50  |
| 1946 | B. T. Washington Set..... | 4.00  |
| 1946 | B. T. Washington P or S.. | 1.25  |
| 1947 | B. T. Washington Set .... | 6.00  |
| 1948 | B. T. Washington Set .... | 7.50  |
| 1949 | B. T. Washington Set .... | 8.50  |
| 1950 | B. T. Washington Set .... | 8.50  |

### MILLED AND REEDED EDGES ON COINS

Coins are reeded on the edge to detect and prevent "shaving". Before reeded edges came into use, coins were "shaved" and the silver and gold dust thus collected sold as bullion. It is noted that copper, bronze and nickel coins are seldom milled and reeded; the shavings from these would not be worth the trouble. With silver and gold it is different. Before coins were milled they were hammered out; such coins in the old times, when put into circulation, were clipped and pared more and more, till many were not worth half or even a third of their face value at which they passed. The cost or price of an article not only had to be settled, but also the value of the money in which it was to be paid for.

- Paul Borrowman



## FOREIGN SILVER

|                                     |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| ARGENTINA 1850 2 Reales, Fine.      | \$ 2.50 |
| ANHALT 1846 Mining Taler, V.F.      | 2.00    |
| AUSTRIA 1564-95 Taler Ferd I,       |         |
| Very Fine .....                     | 3.00    |
| 1780 Marie Theresa Dollar for cir-  |         |
| culation in Ethiopia. V.Fine..      | 2.00    |
| 1870 Double Florin Franz Joseph     |         |
| Young head, About Uncirculated.     | 2.50    |
| 1908 Jubilee 5 Corona, Unc.....     | 3.00    |
| BAVARIA 1625 Broad Madonna Taler    |         |
| of Maximilian. Very Fine ....       | 7.50    |
| 1838 Comm. 3½ Gulden Ludwig I.      |         |
| Very Fine with Proof surface..      | 7.50    |
| BELGIUM 1849 5 Francs Leopold,      |         |
| plain head, Very Fine.....          | 2.50    |
| 1948 Comm. 100 Francs, heads of     |         |
| four rulers, Uncirculated....       | 5.00    |
| BELGIUM CONGO 1944 50 Francs,       |         |
| elephant on obv. Brill. Unc....     | 4.00    |
| BOHEMIA 1626 Taler Ferd II, X.F     | 7.50    |
| BRANDENBURG 1690 2/3 Taler of       |         |
| Fred, III. Rare, Fine.....          | 3.00    |
| BRUNSWICK 1722 Taler St. Andrews    |         |
| About Uncirculated .....            | 7.50    |
| BRUNSWICK-LUNEBURG 1613 Crown of    |         |
| Henry Julius, Very fine.....        | 6.00    |
| CAMPEN (1620) 28 Stivers counter-   |         |
| marked for Holland. V.Fine....      | 5.00    |
| CEYLON 1808 96, 48, 24 Stuivers,    |         |
| set of 3 pcs. Very Fine .....       | 10.00   |
| CHILE 1877 1 Peso, Very Fine..      | 2.00    |
| CHINA 1911 Silver Dollar, V.F.      | 3.50    |
| 1912 Szechuan Dollar, V. Fine.      | 3.50    |
| (1912) Dollar Sun Yat Sen, V.F.     | 2.00    |
| (1914) Dollar Yuan Shi Kai, V.F.    | 2.00    |
| CUBA 1897 Peso, Uncirculated..      | 3.00    |
| CZECHOSLOVAKIA 1937 20 Korona,      |         |
| bust of Masaryk, About Unc....      | 3.00    |
| ENGLAND 1823 Half Crown Geo. III    |         |
| Extremely Fine .....                | 2.00    |
| FRANCE 1422 Groat Chas VI, Fine     | 1.50    |
| 1652 ½ Ecu Louis XIV, V.Fine..      | 3.00    |
| 1694 ½ Ecu, Fine .....              | 3.00    |
| 1793 6 Livres, Fine .....           | 4.00    |
| FRANKFURT 1843 Double Taler, view   |         |
| of harbor, Very Fine .....          | 5.00    |
| 1866 Double Taler, bust of          |         |
| actress, Very Fine plus .....       | 4.00    |
| GEDERLAND 1763 Florin, X.Fine       | 1.00    |
| GOA 1782 ½ Pardao, Fine .....       | 2.00    |
| HANAU-MUNZENBERG 1693 Gulden of     |         |
| Philip Reinard, near Fine ....      | 2.00    |
| HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE (1625) 2 Talers   |         |
| Leopold and Claudia, V.Fine...      | 15.00   |
| 1767 Convention Taler Marie Theresa |         |
| About Uncirculated .....            | 5.00    |
| HUNGARY 1908 5 Korona Franz         |         |
| Joseph. Very Fine .....             | 2.00    |
| 1938 5 Pengos with bust of          |         |
| St. Stephen. Brill. Proof ....      | 5.00    |
| LICHTENSTEIN 1915 5 Kronen of       |         |
| John II. Brill. Uncirculated..      | 7.50    |
| LUCERNE 1814 4 Franken, V.F...      | 7.50    |
| MANFIELD 1915 3 Marks, rare         |         |
| About uncirculated .....            | 3.00    |
| MAYENCE 1771 Taler Emeric Joseph    |         |
| About Fine .....                    | 3.00    |
| MECKLENBURG-SCHWERIN 1915 3 Marks   |         |
| comm. Dynastic Jubilee, Unc...      | 2.00    |
| MEXICO 1822 8 Reals Augustine,      |         |
| small head, Fine .....              | 3.50    |
| MEXICO 1867 Peso Maximiliano,       |         |
| Uncirculated .....                  | 3.75    |

## FOREIGN SILVER

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| MEXICO 1868 8 Reals, Br. Unc...    | \$ 2.50 |
| 1894 8 Reals, Very fine.....       | 3.00    |
| 1910 Comm. Peso, Very Fine....     | 2.00    |
| 1915 2 Pesos Zapata, Ext. Fine.    | 3.00    |
| NETHERLANDS 1872 2½ Gulden, V.F    | 2.50    |
| ORANGE FREE STATE 1888 One Penny   |         |
| Regular shield, Proof .....        | 2.00    |
| 1888 Penny, oval shield, Proof     | 3.50    |
| PARMA 1815 5 Lire, head Maria      |         |
| Louise, Very Fine .....            | 4.00    |
| PERU 1880 5 Pesetas, Unc.....      | 3.00    |
| 1894 1 Sol, Uncirculated.....      | 2.50    |
| PHILIPPINES 1936 Comm. Peso,       |         |
| Roosevelt & Quezon, Unc.....       | 6.00    |
| POLAND 1712 2/3 Taler Fred.        |         |
| August II. Ext. Fine .....         | 5.00    |
| 1755 Taler August III, Fine...     | 4.00    |
| PORTUGAL (14th Century) Groat of   |         |
| Eerdinand, Very Fine .....         | 1.50    |
| 1835 400 Reis Maria II, Unc...     | 2.00    |
| PRUSSIA 1841 3½ Gulden Fred.       |         |
| Wilhelm IV. Very Fine .....        | 5.00    |
| 1888 2 Marks Fred III, Unc....     | 1.00    |
| 1901 5 Marks, Unc.....             | 2.50    |
| 1915 3 Marks, Uncirculated....     | 3.00    |
| RAGUSA 1777 Crown, Rector, F.      | 4.00    |
| ROTEBURG 1717 ¼ Taler Luther Bi-   |         |
| centennial, rare. Very Fine...     | 4.00    |
| ROMANIA 1944 Silver 500 Lei,       |         |
| rare, Uncirculated .....           | 3.50    |
| 1946 Silver 25,000 Lei of Mihail   |         |
| Rare inflation issue, Unc.....     | 6.00    |
| RUSSIA 1724 Rouble Peter the Great |         |
| Laureated head, Ext. fine.....     | 15.00   |
| 1726 Rouble Catherine I, Fine...   | 6.00    |
| 1742 Rouble Elizabeth I, Fine.     | 5.00    |
| 1782 Rouble Catherine the Great    |         |
| Late type, About fine .....        | 3.50    |
| 1922 Soviet Russia, 50 Kopecks,    |         |
| Uncirculated .....                 | 1.25    |
| SALZBURG (1620) Taler Raitenau     |         |
| Very Fine .....                    | 5.00    |
| 1677 Taler Max. Gandolph, VF..     | 5.00    |
| 1682 Taler comm. 1100 year of      |         |
| Bishopdom; rare, Ext. fine....     | 3.00    |
| 1708 ½ Taler John Ernst, VF...     | 2.00    |
| SAXONY 1695 2/3 Taler Fred August  |         |
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## COLONIAL COIN COMPETITION

Not long after the Revolutionary War, the various colonies broke out in a rash of coin making, each trying to outdo the others in creating distinctive coins. Some issues of specie minted by the prospective states stood out from the others due to their originality, while many chose to copy foreign and ancient coins. Something out of the ordinary for those times was produced at Carthage, New York, by a French-American colony of Castorland. The half dollar pieces showed a Liberty Head and a female figure holding a cornucopia while waiting for the sap from a maple tree to run into a bucket.

Vermont and Connecticut vied with each other in trying to see which could produce the most disguised facsimiles of Britannias. Vermont also adopted poor imitations of the English Georges, while Connecticut favored some vague Roman emperors. However, Vermont did produce an original coin which was somewhat different. A plow in the field with the sun rising behind a mountain in the background on one side, and an all seeing eye in the center of a sun surrounded by thirteen stars and rays.

New Hampshire featured a harp and pine tree while Massachusetts portrayed an Indian. Interesting items were struck off in New York which bore its coats of arms and in New Jersey (Nova Caesarea) a plow and horse head.

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## SOMMERS ISLAND (1616-19)

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## PIG CURRENCY

To be called a swine on Sommers Island in 1616 was no insult but rather an out and out compliment.

In 1609 Sir George Somers, an English navigator lost his ship on a reef in the Bermudas, and was marooned with his men on a lonely island which was later named after him. For nearly a year the stranded Englishmen lived royally on pork from the wild pigs that roamed the island.

Seven years later, in memorable thanksgiving and gratitude to the hogs for saving these first settlers, the colonists issued their "base coyne" a brass shilling, six pence, and a three pence, coins with an image of a pig on one side and a ship with full sails on the other.

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